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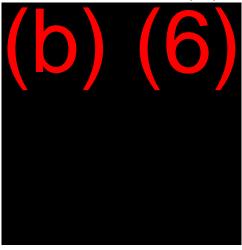
Hello Bill,

(b) (6) cancelled his interview today.

My schedule of interviews for next week so far:

Tuesday 4/1 @ 10:30am: (b) (6) in Bristow

Here is the contact list for the people that I have interviewed thus far:



Results of the interviews:

- Everyone mostly seemed very grateful that the site was getting cleaned up; they all want it
 to be done as fast as possible and as soon as possible. They want the land cleaned up and
 taken care of before it causes damage to anyone else. Some expressed interest in restricting
 access to the site or to put up fencing to keep curious people away from exposure and
 possible harm to themselves.
- Some were concerned with the method of cleanup and expressed interest in having local contractors involved as much as possible.
- A lot of people were worried about the children and pets living on the site. These concerns were that a lot of pets had strange growths on the outer areas of their bodies, growing livestock on the land is no longer a viable option, and reproductive effects of the contamination on the children's futures.
- People worried about the cancer clusters in all ages. Many people are saying there have been about 800 cases of cancer in a town of about 4,253 people, which are staggering statistics but the health trends in the area are still unknown.
 - o We are communicating with the chronic disease department at the Oklahoma State Department of Health to keep updated on possible health trends in this area.
- Some people were worried about hexavalent chromium, trichloroethylene, and lead in the
 - o We have sent out information referring them to the EPA and ODEQ water quality

websites to access regulations and water testing results in Bristow.

- Future uses of the land had mixed reviews. Many people thought the land should be kept residential as they are trying to grow the city out that way, others thought an industrial park would help the economy of the city, and another recommendation was that the land could be used as a beautiful park entrance into the city. Majority of interviewees did not want the site to become a wasteland like Pitcher, OK. Quite a few people were concerned that the land might be too contaminated, beyond the ability to clean up.
- Another concern from many of the interviews was the impact that this site could potentially
 have on the city. It comes with a negative stigma, which negatively reflects on the city,
 which could potentially negatively impact the economy and population growth. Some
 expressed interest in having the site known as the Creek County Superfund site or Wilcox
 Superfund site instead of the Bristow Superfund site.
- Many people were concerned about misinformation floating around, especially on social media.
 - o We are currently still working on the Wilcox site webpage on the ODEQ website that will serve as a central point in information for community members to go to.

Things in "red" are new updates. ☺

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